AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER **After Final Rejection** Group Art Unit Application No. Filing Date Examiner J. Saunders 2615 10/706,772 November 12, 2003 Docket No. Applicant(s): Kohei Asada and Tetsunori Itabashi SONYJP 3.0-1025 METHOD OF REPRODUCING AUDIO SIGNAL, AND REPRODUCING APPARATUS Invention: **THEREFOR** TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Number Number Remaining After Previously **Extra Claims** Amendment **Present** Rate Paid 50.00 0.00 **Total Claims** 20 0 Х 3 = Independent 0.00 3 3 0 X 210.00 Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 0.00 **Small Entity** x Large Entity No additional fee is required for this amendment. in the amount of Please charge Deposit Account No. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. x The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 12-1095 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: August 26, 2008

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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 14, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1-5, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: